

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A viewing device is provided for viewing at least one image transparency having an associated tracking memory. The viewing device comprises

5 an illumination device having at least one viewing surface adapted to present at least one illumination pattern, at least one radio frequency read write device for obtaining electronic data stored in an associated tracking memory of an image transparency positioned proximate to the viewing surface and at least one display device for viewing at least one electronic image related to said at least one image transparency.

10 A control processing unit is adapted to receive said obtained data from said associated tracking memory and to use the obtained data for forming the at least one electronic image.